## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

PAULINE HILL.

Plaintiff,

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CV No. 19-845 KRS/CG

C R BARD INCORPORATED, et al.,

Defendants.

## **INITIAL SCHEDULING ORDER**

This case is assigned to me for scheduling, case management, discovery, and all other non-dispositive motions. Counsel are required to comply with the Local Civil Rules of the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico, in addition to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Civility, professionalism, and cooperation are required of counsel throughout this litigation.

The Court has received and reviewed the parties' *Joint Status Report and Provisional Discovery Plan*, (Doc 14), filed on October 2, 2019. In light of the *Joint Status Report* and in accordance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, a Rule 16 Scheduling Conference will be conducted by telephone on **Tuesday, November 5, 2019, at 3:00 p.m.** Parties shall call Judge Garza's AT&T Teleconference line at (877) 810-9415, follow the prompts, and enter the Access Code 7467959, to be connected to the proceedings. Upon agreement, the parties may request that the Rule 16 Scheduling Conference be held in person.

At the conference, counsel and any *pro* se parties must be prepared to discuss all claims and defenses, initial disclosures, discovery requests and scheduling, issues relating to the disclosure, discovery, or preservation of electronically-stored information, the timing of expert disclosures and reports under Rule 26(a)(2), and the use of scientific evidence and whether it is anticipated that a *Daubert*<sup>1</sup> hearing will be needed. We will also discuss settlement prospects and alternative dispute resolution possibilities. Lead counsel and parties appearing *pro* se must participate unless excused by the Court. Parties represented by counsel need not attend.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

THE HONORABLE CARMEN E. GARZA

CHIEF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals, 509 U.S. 579 (1993).